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Of the references listed on the attached 1449 Form, German Patent Nos. DE 198 15 373 and DE 299 05 172 are not in English. Applicant has provided English abstracts of the German patents.

The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' Representative at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this communication.

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